B. AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS.

- (Previously Cancelled)
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- 4. (Previously Cancelled)
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- 6. (Previously amended) A method of automatically setting a home automation system based upon a user's travel plans, the method comprising:
 - registering a home automation system with an email computer system, the registration including a network address corresponding to the home automation system;
 - storing the home automation system's network address on a storage device accessible from the email computer system, the storing performed in response to the registering;
 - scheduling the travel plans using a travel agent computer system;
 - receiving the scheduled travel plans at the email computer system;
 - retrieving the home automation system's network address from the storage location in response to the received travel plan message; and
 - sending a home automation message from the email computer system to the home automation system network address,

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the home automation message resulting in an automated response performed by the home automation system.

- 7. (Previously amended) The method of claim 6 wherein the sending further comprises sending an electronic message from the email system to the home automation system.
- 8. (Previously amended) The method of claim 6 further comprising:
 - receiving the home automation message at the home automation system;
 - identifying a home automation command in the home automation message; and
 - setting a travel home automation environment in response to the home automation command.
- 9. (Previously amended) The method of claim 6 wherein the sending includes transferring the message using a secure transmission protocol.
- 10. (Previously Cancelled)
- 11. (Previously amended) An information handling system comprising:

one or more processors;

- a memory accessible by the processors;
- a nonvolatile storage device accessible by the processors; and
- a home automation control tool, the home automation control tool including:
 - means for registering a home automation system with an email computer system, the registration including

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- a network address corresponding to the home automation system;
- means for storing the home automation system's network address on a storage device accessible from the email computer system, the storing performed in response to the registering;
- means for scheduling the travel plans using a travel agent computer system;
- means for receiving the scheduled travel plans at the email computer system;
- means for retrieving the home automation system's network address from the storage location in response to the received travel plan message; and
- means for sending a home automation message from the email computer system to the home automation system network address, the home automation message resulting in an automated response performed by the home automation system.
- 12. (Previously amended) The information handling system of claim 11 further comprising:
 - means for receiving the home automation message at the home automation system;
 - means for identifying a home automation command in the home automation message; and
 - means for setting a travel home automation environment in the home automation system in response to the home automation command.
- 13. (Previously amended) The information handling system of claim 11 wherein the means for sending further comprises:

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means for sending an electronic message from an email system to the home automation system.

- .14. (Previously Cancelled)
- 15. (Previously Cancelled)
- 16. (Previously Cancelled)
- 17. (Previously Cancelled)
- 18. (Previously amended) A computer program product stored on a computer operable media, said computer program product comprising:
 - means for registering a home automation system with an email computer system, the registration including a network address corresponding to the home automation system;
 - means for storing the home automation system's network address on a storage device accessible from the email computer system, the storing performed in response to the registering;
 - means for scheduling the travel plans using a travel agent computer system;
 - means for receiving the scheduled travel plans at the email computer system;
 - means for retrieving the home automation system's network address from the storage location in response to the received travel plan message; and
 - means for sending a home automation message from the email computer system to the home automation system network address, the home automation message resulting in an

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- automated response performed by the home automation system.
- 19. (Previously amended) The computer program product of claim 18 further comprising:
 - means for receiving the home automation message at the home automation system;
 - means for identifying a home automation command in the home automation message; and
 - means for setting a travel home automation environment in the home automation system in response to the home automation command.
- 20. (Previously amended) The computer program product of claim 18 wherein the means for sending further comprises: means for sending an electronic message from an email system to the home automation system.
- 21. (Previously Cancelled)
- 22. (Previously Cancelled)
- 23. (Previously Cancelled)
- 24. (Previously Cancelled)
- 25. (Previously added) The computer implemented method of claim 6 further comprising:
 - authenticating the travel plan message received at the email system, wherein the sending of the home automation message is performed in response to successfully authenticating the travel plan message.

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- 26. (Previously added) The computer implemented method of claim 8 further comprising:
 - retrieving, at the home automation system, a profile that includes one or more home automation actions, wherein the retrieved profile corresponds to the identified command; and
 - executing the actions included in the retrieved profile.
- 27. (Currently amended) The computer implemented method of claim 6 further comprising:
 - receiving, from a user, a travel request at a travel agent computer system, the travel request including travel details corresponding to a user's travel schedule;
 - creating the travel plan message at the travel agent computer system, the travel plan message based upon the user's travel schedule; and
 - sending the travel plan message from the travel agent computer system to the email system prior to the email system prior to the email system prior to the email system.
- 28. (Previously added) The computer implemented method of claim 27 further comprising:
 - reading, at the travel agent computer center, a user profile corresponding to the user, wherein the user profile includes an email address corresponding to the email system.
- 29. (Previously added) The computer implemented method of claim 28 wherein the travel plan message is an email message and the sending further comprises:

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- transmitting the email message from the travel agent computer system to the email system using the email address corresponding to the email system.
- 30. (Previously added) The information handling system of claim 11 further wherein the means for sending includes means for transferring the message using a secure transmission protocol.
- 31. (Previously added) The information handling system of claim 11 further comprising:
 - means for authenticating the travel plan message received at the email system, wherein the sending of the home automation message is performed in response to successfully authenticating the travel plan message.
- 32. (Currently amended) The information handling system of claim 11 further comprising:
 - means for receiving, from a user, a travel request at a travel agent computer system, the travel request including travel details corresponding to a user's travel schedule;
 - means for creating the travel plan message at the travel agent computer system, the travel plan message based upon the user's travel schedule;
 - means for sending the travel plan message from the travel agent computer system to the email system prior to the email system's reception of the travel plan message; and
 - means for reading, at the travel agent computer center, a user profile corresponding to the user, wherein the

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user profile includes an email address corresponding to the email system.

- 33. (Previously added) The information handling system of claim 32 wherein the travel plan message is an email message and the means for sending the travel plan message further comprises:
 - means for transmitting the email message from the travel agent computer system to the email system using the email address corresponding to the email system.
- 34. (Previously added) The computer program product of claim 18 wherein the means for sending includes means for transferring the message using a secure transmission protocol.
- 35. (Previously added) The computer program product of claim 18 further comprising:
 - means for authenticating the travel plan message received at the email system, wherein the sending of the home automation message is performed in response to successfully authenticating the travel plan message.
- 36. (Currently amended) The computer program product of claim 18 further comprising:
 - means for receiving, from a user, a travel request at a travel agent computer system, the travel request including travel details corresponding to a user's travel schedule;
 - means for creating the travel plan message at the travel agent computer system, the travel plan message based upon the user's travel schedule;

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- means for sending the travel plan message from the travel agent computer system to the email system prior to the email system prior to the email system plan message; and
- means for reading, at the travel agent computer center, a user profile corresponding to the user, wherein the user profile includes an email address corresponding to the email system.
- 37. (Previously added) The computer program product of claim 36 wherein the travel plan message is an email message and the means for sending the travel plan message further comprises:
 - means for transmitting the email message from the travel agent computer system to the email system using the email address corresponding to the email system.
- 38. (Previously added) A method comprising:
 - registering a home automation system with an email system, the registering including a network address that corresponds to the home automation system;
 - receiving, from a user, a travel request at a travel agent computer system;
 - creating a travel plan at the travel agent computer system based upon the travel request;
 - sending the travel plan from the travel agent computer system to the email system through a computer network; receiving the travel plan at the email system;
 - sending a notification to the home automation system using the home automation system's network address using the computer network;

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receiving, at the home automation system, the notification from the email system; and

performing an action at the home automation system, wherein the action is selected from the group consisting of activating the home automation system and deactivating the home automation system.